

West Hartford Substance Abuse Prevention Commission (SAPC)
Meeting Minutes
October 12, 2017

Present: Kim Ambroise, Nordia Napier, Jean Schensul, Jonathan Merritt, Helen Drohan, Joseph Kalache, Dave Pauluk

Absent: Sagar Patel, Chastity Rodriguez, Ben Grippo, Amal Ali, Leo Negron

Public: Emily Melnick, Liz Anderson, Nicole Edlund, John Mancini, Alysha Williams, Anastasia Khrenova

Minutes Approval: Minutes for 6/8/17, 9/14/17 not approved; lack of quorum

Appointments: Nicole Edlund to replace Grace Johnson, Jaclyn Dulude (reappointed), David Eppner (reappointed), Kim Ambroise (reappointed), Alysha Williams (Conard Student Rep), Anastasia Khrenova (Hall Student Rep)

Welcome / Introductions / Early Departures / Announcements

- All official proceedings, motions, and approval of minutes were not passed or voted on as there was a lack of quorum.
- Joe Kalache presents CASAC grant proposals 2017-2018
 1. Safe Grad: \$1,500 (\$750 to each school event)
 2. Chris Sullivan speaking engagement: \$1000
 3. Community resource card: \$590
 4. WH Senior Center Presentations: \$800
 5. Every Family Newsletter: \$1698.54
 6. Life Skills curriculum: \$53.01
 7. Technology Abuse speaking engagement: \$1,500
- Liz Anderson discussed “Technology Abuse” speaker Dr. David Greenfield’s upcoming presentation at King Philip Middle School for 7th

and 8th graders. Presentation promises to enlighten students as to the risks associated with the abuse of technology.

- John Mancini discussed upcoming “Fight the New Drug” presentation at Conard high school
- Helen Drohan discussed upcoming “Drug take-back days”
- Direction/Scope of SAPC Discussion: ICR coalition project (next 3 years) with goal of preventing the increase of use of alcohol and prescription drugs among underage users. Format of future SAPC meetings to be 45 minutes of alliance work (3 subcommittees), and 15 minutes of regular SAPC proceedings.

Next Steps: Come up with questions to present Dr. David Greenfield regarding speaking engagement at King Philip middle school; provide students with a survey

Adjourn:

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Merritt

October 19, 2017

